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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of two Communications from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with partial English-language versions of at least that portion of the Communications indicating the references cited in the Communications.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations: English language Translations of JP 11-329734; JP 2001-052870; JP 2002-158095; JP 2001-260416 and JP 07-142169 are submitted herewith. U.S. Patent Numbers 6,528,188 and 5,855,994 corresponding to JP 2001-155860 and JP 11-514791, respectively, are also submitted herewith.

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